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NRCS Holds FY 2006 Colorado Invasive Plant Program – EQIP Signup Period from May 1 – May 19, 2006

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), recently approved requests for proposals for the fiscal year 2006 Colorado Invasive Plant Program – Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

To be considered for funding, participating landowners(s) will need to submit an EQIP program application to their local servicing NRCS office during the signup period of

May 1 – May 19, 2006.

The EQIP Colorado Invasive Plant Program is a voluntary program for conservation-minded landowners who want to improve the productivity of their rangeland and riparian lands for agriculture and wildlife by reducing the impact of noxious weeds, primarily on private land. The NRCS will provide up to 50 percent cost-share assistance to private landowners to suppress and control the spread of targeted noxious weeds and improve the quality of desirable plant communities. Incentive payments will be offered for chemical, cultural and mechanical control methods.

To qualify, landowners must be located within approved project areas that demonstrate a cooperative effort to control invasive plants.

Program applications should be submitted anytime during the signup period of **May 1 – May 19, 2006**. Applications received after this time will not be considered.

If you have questions about this program, please contact Dave Doty, Acting Assistant State Conservationist at 720-544-2805, or email him at david.doty@co.usda.gov; or you can contact your local NRCS office.

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